

ABSTRACT

An operator selects printer characteristics in S201.  
When a correct calibration file exists (S202:YES), then in  
S203 calibration data is retrieved from the correct file.  
5 When no correct calibration file exists (S202:NO), then in  
S204 calibration data is retrieved from the reserved file.  
The reserved file can be a calibration file that is retained  
when a calibration file is updated or can be a calibration  
file that is originally provided within the printing system  
10 when the printing system is shipped from the factory. When  
calibration data is retrieved from a correct file or a  
reserved file, then in S205 original tone levels, included  
in image data from some upper rank program, are converted  
into input tone levels, to be applied to the printer, which  
15 executes printing accordingly.

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